

REMARKS

Claims 1-65 are pending in the present application. By this amendment, the Specification and claims 1-7, 9-15, 17-41, 43-45, 47-53, 55-58, 60-61 and 63-65 are amended.

The Office Action objects to the drawings as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) and (p)(5). Applicant believes that the amendments to the specification overcome the objections. Approval is requested.

The Office Action objects to the disclosure because of informalities regarding certain terms that the Office Action admits are well known, but asserts that they must be defined. It is respectfully asserted that these terms are so well known as to be readily understood such that further definition is not required. Withdrawal of the objection is requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-4, 12, 20-23, 31, 39-42, 50 and 58 under 35 USC 103 over Tadayon (US Pat Pub. 2002/0184156) in view of Brody (US Pat Pub. 2001/0051928) and Collins, III (US Pat. 6,138,153), and rejects claims 5-11, 13-19, 24-30, 32-38, 43-49, 51-57 and 59-65 under 35 USC 103 over Tadayon, Brody, Collins and further in view of Stefik (US Pat. 6,920,436). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 includes the recitations “determining if transfer software to transfer the file only to the specific type of memory device is installed at the recipient” and “sending the file to the recipient to be stored on the second memory device only if the transfer software to install only to the specific type of memory device is installed.” Independent claims 20 and 39 contain substantially the same features. It is respectfully asserted the applied references do not disclose or suggest these novel features. In particular, the applied references do not determine if transfer software to transfer the file only to the specific type of memory device is installed at the recipient, nor do they disclose or suggest sending the file to the recipient to be stored on the second memory device only if the transfer software to install only to the specific type of memory device is installed. Accordingly, claims 1, 20 and 39, and all claims dependent therefrom, would not have been obvious over the applied references.

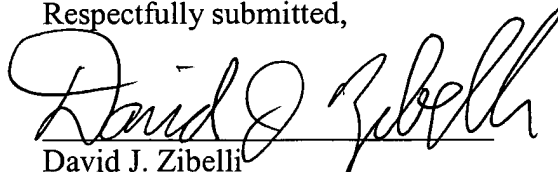
Independent claim 12 recites “receiving at least one criterion that a memory device at a recipient must have to store information to be sent from a sender, the at least one criterion being a type of the memory device” and “sending the file to the recipient to be stored on the second memory device, if the second memory device has the one or more criteria.” Independent claims 31, 50 and 58 contain substantially the same features. It is respectfully asserted the applied references do not disclose or suggest these novel features. In particular, the applied references do not receive at least one criterion that a memory device at a recipient must have to store information to be sent from a sender, the at least one criterion being a type of the memory device, nor do they disclose or suggest sending the file to the recipient to be stored on the second memory device, if the second memory device has the one or more criteria as required by these claims. Accordingly, claims 12, 31, 50 and 58, and all claims dependent therefrom, would not have been obvious over the applied references.

For the above reasons, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Prompt consideration and allowance are solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4200 to discuss any matter concerning this application. Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees determined to be due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16, 1.17 or 1.136 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

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